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Dear Examiner:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 1, 2002, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 20, line 14 as follows:

-- Home-based network interface 610 represents a communications interface through which network data is transmitted and received. Home-based network interface 610 represents a device further equipped to provide data communications across harsh networking environments such as home-based phoneline networks, powerline networks and/or HomeRF networks. In such home-based networks, as well as other less controlled harsh networking environments, it is sometimes difficult to distinguish noise or echo

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